

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant hereby traverses the requirement and provisionally elects Group I, which includes claims 1-11 and 17-32.

As to the requirement to elect a single disclosed species, Applicant also elects the species of Group I.

All of the claims are readable on the selected species.

The traversal is made, because, in the interest of efficiency, it would be more efficient on the part of the office and on the part of Applicants, for all of the claims of this application to be examined together. For example, claim 12 of Group II merely recites that the spacer element of claim 11 has two abutment surfaces which extend in mutual parallel relationship. Claim 13 is more specific than that, but also recites that the spacer element of claim 11 has a through passage on the side toward the supporting surface in which the wave-modifying element is arranged. Claim 14 is more specific to claim 11, simply in reciting that the spacer element comprises a precision film. Claim 15, is again more specific to the spacer element of claim 11 in reciting that it comprises at least one pin which extends through both supporting surfaces. Claim 16 recites that the spacer element is formed by at least 2 pins, and recites the relationships of length and material as a function of temperature.

Finally it is noted that upon allowance of a generic claim, other claims, presumably all of the non-elected claims would likewise be allowed.

Examination on the merits and allowance of all of the claims are respectfully solicited.